GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Subsidy to Godowns
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has stopped providing subsidy to Primary Agricultural Credit Societies for implementing the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) Projects for value addition in agricultural products and construction of godowns;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the response therefor; and

(c) whether the Union Government has received representation from State Government of Kerala to reintroduce the scheme, if so, the response of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): Under the Integrated Scheme on Agricultural Cooperation, Government is providing subsidy to National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) for assisting all types of cooperative societies including Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) for construction of godowns and repair / renovation / expansion of existing rural godowns. However, sanction of subsidy for new projects of general category promoters for construction / renovation / expansion of rural godowns under Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure, a sub-scheme of the Integrated Scheme of Agricultural Marketing has been stopped temporarily w.e.f. 5.8.2014 due to exhaustion of funds allocated under this category. The scheme, however, continues for promoters of Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes and for North Eastern Region.

(c): No such representation has been received.

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